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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: **Youichiro NISHIKAWA et al.**

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Sir:

Applicants respond herein to the September 24, 2004 Office Action.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims appear in the listing of claims that begins on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 8.